

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (previously presented): A fuse comprising:

a fuse body;

a housing which is made of an insulative resin, and receives and holds said fuse body therein, and into which said fuse body is inserted through an upper opening in said housing; and

a cover which is made of an insulative resin and covers said upper opening in said housing;

wherein said housing comprises a retaining portion corresponding to a retaining claw of a withdrawing jig for withdrawing said housing and said retaining portion comprises a first ridge portion which is formed at and protrudes from an upper portion of a side surface of said housing, and is disposed perpendicularly to a longitudinal axis of said housing, and two second ridge portions which protrude from the side surface of said housing, extend perpendicularly from opposite ends of said first ridge portion, respectively, and are disposed parallel to the longitudinal axis of said housing.

2. (canceled).

3. (original): A fuse according to claim 1, wherein a pair of the retaining portions are provided on opposite side faces of said housing so that the retaining portions are aligned with terminal portions of the fuse body.

4. (original): A fuse according to claim 1, wherein a pair of the retaining portions are provided on opposite side faces of said housing so that the retaining portions are aligned in an extending direction of a fusible portion of the fuse body.

5. (canceled): A fuse comprising:

a fuse body;

a housing having a tubular shape with a rectangular cross-section which is made of an insulative resin, and receives and holds said fuse body therein, and into which said fuse body is inserted through an upper opening in said housing so that said fuse is connected to mating terminals accommodated in said housing; and

a cover which is made of an insulative resin, and covers said upper opening in said housing;

wherein said housing comprises a pair of retaining portions, corresponding to a retaining claw of a withdrawing jig for withdrawing said housing, formed on a first pair of opposite side surfaces of said housing, and a pair of retaining projections for retaining said cover formed on a second pair of opposite side surfaces of said housing.

6. (currently amended): A fuse comprising:

a fuse body;

a housing having a tubular shape with a rectangular cross-section which is made of an insulative resin, and receives and holds said fuse body therein, and into which said fuse body is inserted through an upper opening in said housing so that said fuse is connected to mating terminals accommodated in said housing; and

a cover which is made of an insulative resin, and covers said upper opening in said housing;

wherein said housing comprises a pair of retaining portions, corresponding to a retaining claw of a withdrawing jig for withdrawing said housing, formed on a first pair of opposite side surfaces of said housing, and a pair of retaining projections for retaining said cover formed on a second pair of opposite side surfaces of said housing; and ~~A fuse according to claim 5,~~

wherein each retaining portion includes a first ridge portion which is formed at and protrudes from an upper portion of the side surface of said housing, and is disposed perpendicularly to a longitudinal axis of said housing, and two second ridge portions which protrude from the side surface of said housing, extend perpendicularly from opposite ends of said first ridge portion, respectively, and are disposed parallel to the longitudinal axis of said housing.

7. (currently amended): A fuse according to claim ~~5~~6, wherein a pair of the retaining portions are provided on opposite side faces of said housing so that the retaining portions are aligned with terminal portions of the fuse body.

8. (currently amended): A fuse according to claim 56, wherein a pair of the retaining portions are provided on opposite side faces of said housing so that the retaining portions are aligned in an extending direction of a fusible portion of the fuse body.